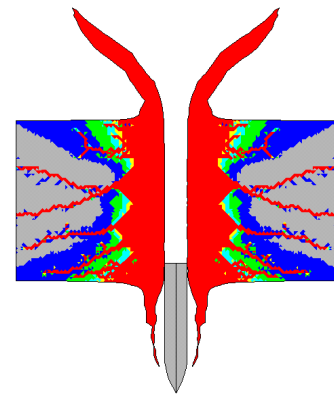


Modal Testing as an Aid in Assessing Penetration Mechanics

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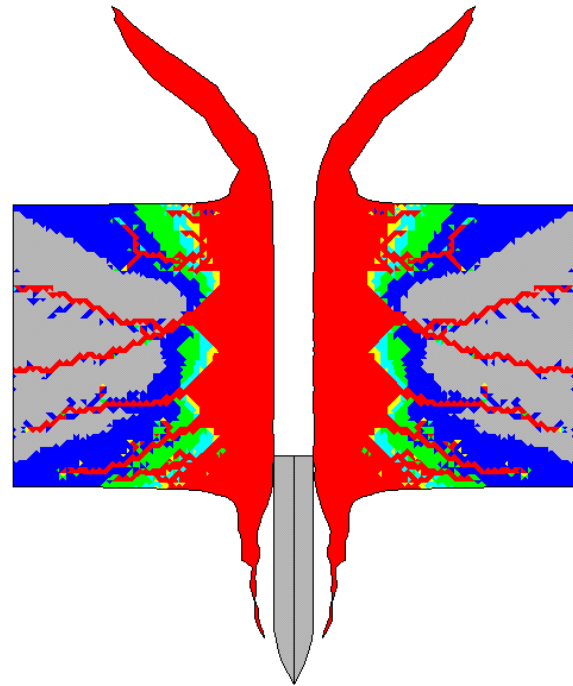


Goals

- Describe a gun-launched earth penetrator test
 - provide test details
 - review and analyze test results
 - draw conclusions concerning analytical/experimental process
- Support program theme
 - measurement system design
 - transducers, system checks, model verification, modal analysis, data filtering, data sampling,

Earth Penetrator Applications

- Deliver ordnance device
- Exploration of geological layers
- Measurement of sea ice thickness
- *Insitu* chemistry
- etc.





Specific Penetrator to be Field Tested

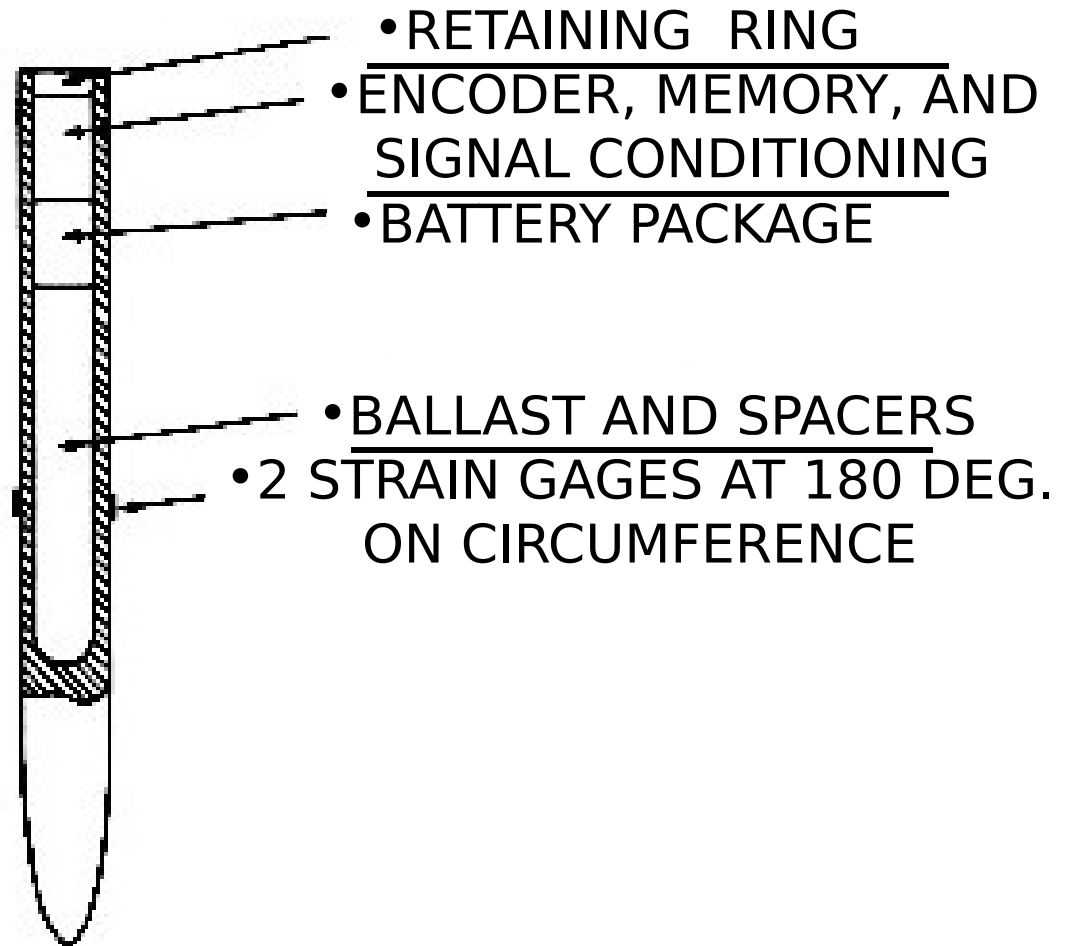
- length: 61.25"
- diameter: 6.125"
- wall thickness: 1.062"
- weight: 336 pounds
- c.g.: 28.05" from nose
- on board data recording system (accelerometer triggered)
 - resolution: *6 bits (1 part in 63)
 - Nyquist frequency: 11,300 Hz
 - two data channels
 - ◆ anti-alias filters designed



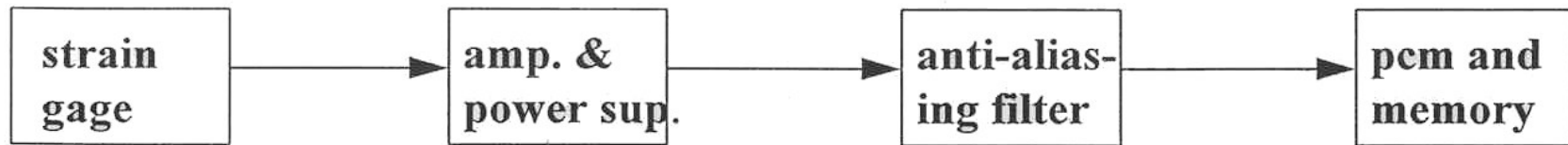
Specific Penetrator (con't)

- two data channels (con't)
 - ◆ Micro-Measurements WA 06-250BK-10C strain gages
(constantan material, 1/4" gage length, temperature compensated for steel, fully encapsulated, 1000 Ω resistance)
 - 180 degrees on circumference, 30" from nose
 - measure compression and bending strain calibrated +/- 6,000 $\mu\epsilon$ (corresponds to yield of penetrator steel case [D6 A-C normalized and

Specific Penetrator (con't)



Specific Penetrator (con't)



MM
WA 06-250BK-10C

+/- 6,000 microstrain
full scale
~ 211 microstrain/word

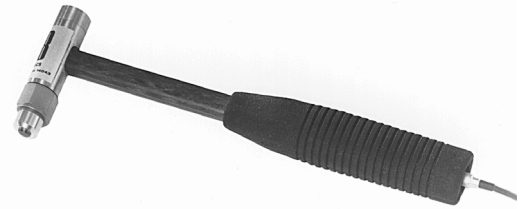
- 6dB at 4,200 Hz
24 dB/octave

~48,000 bits
~ 6 bits/word
~179 msec. window
dT/sample for 2
channel system =
.00004417 sec. =
11,300 Hz Nyquist
frequency

constantan
1,000 ohm
T. C. 6 ppm/deg F
.250" grid length
encapsulated in glass
fiber reinforced epoxy
phenolic resin

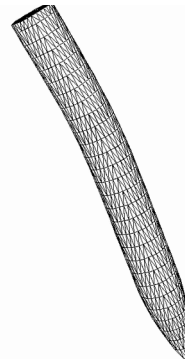
Experimental modal Analysis (review)

- Experimental modal analysis enables extraction of:
 - shape,
 - natural frequency, and
 - damping*for each vibratory mode of a structure*

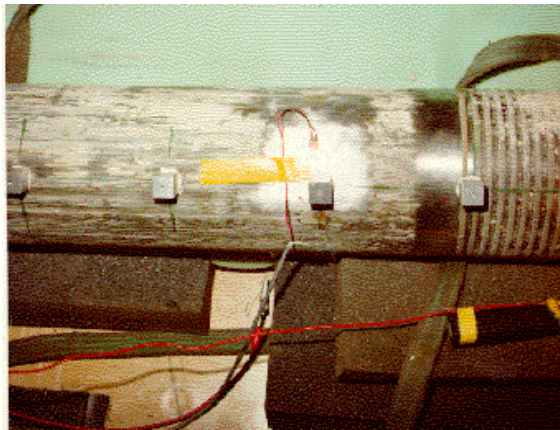


- Results of experimental modal analysis can be compared to FE codes such as:

- NASTRAN
- ANSYS
- ALGOR



Penetrator Experimental Modal Analysis Results Prior to Field Test



Accelerometer
Mounting
Locations



Penetrator tested with Hammer Input
Free-Free Boundaries



Instrumented
Penetrator

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Penetrator Experimental Modal Analysis Results Prior to Field Test

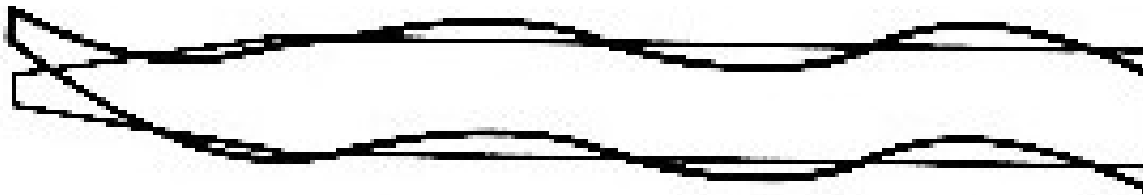


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deterministic structure adds credibility

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Penetrator Experimental Modal Analysis Results Prior to Field Test



Fourth Bending Mode - 2,713

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Penetrator Natural Frequencies

Bending

392

976

1,764

2,713

3,464

4,368

Axial

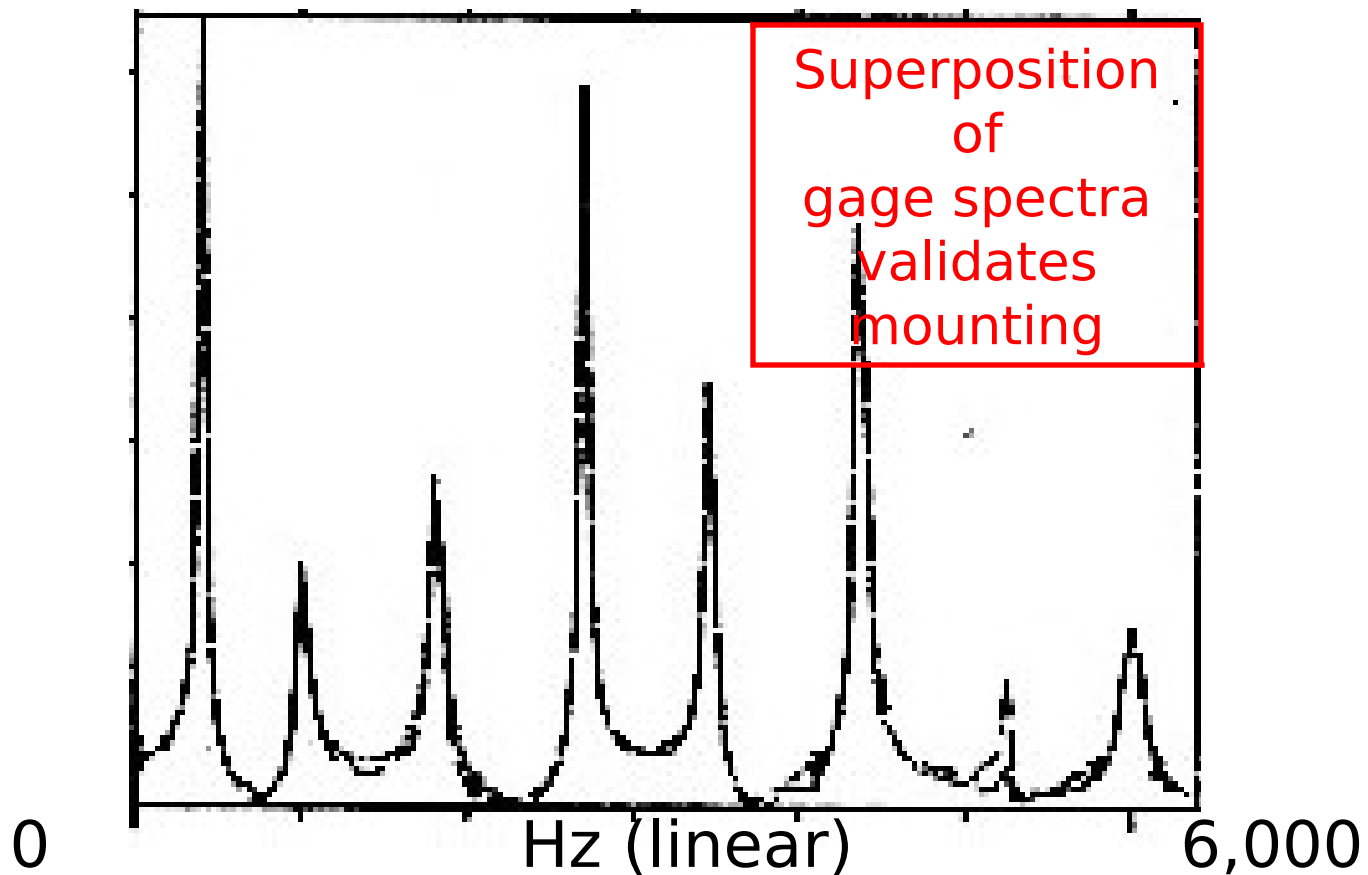
1,712

3,845

Agree with Analytical Model

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Strain gage Mounting Verification By Modal Test

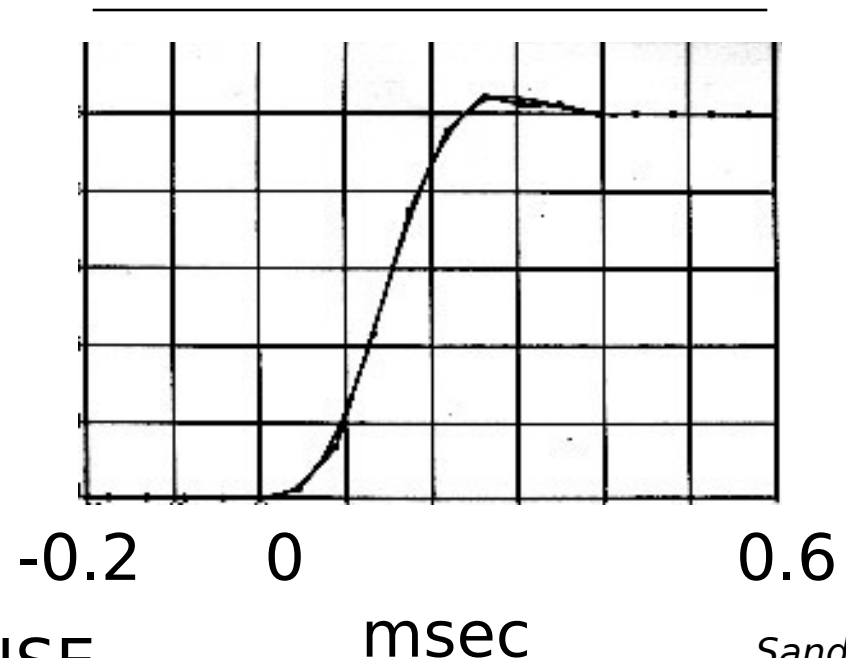
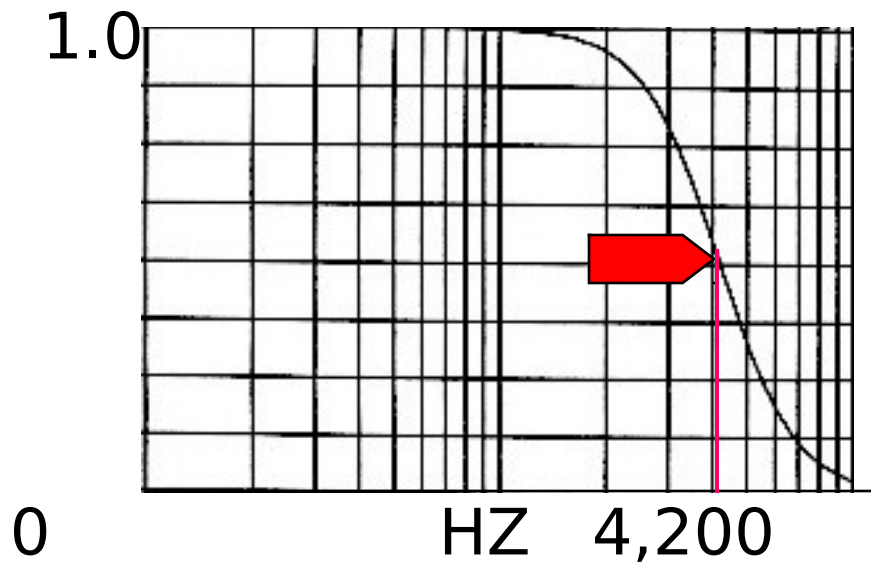


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Field Data Recording System

Characterization/Verification

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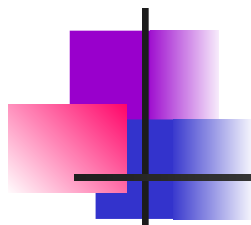


AMPLITUDE-FREQUENCY RESPONSE

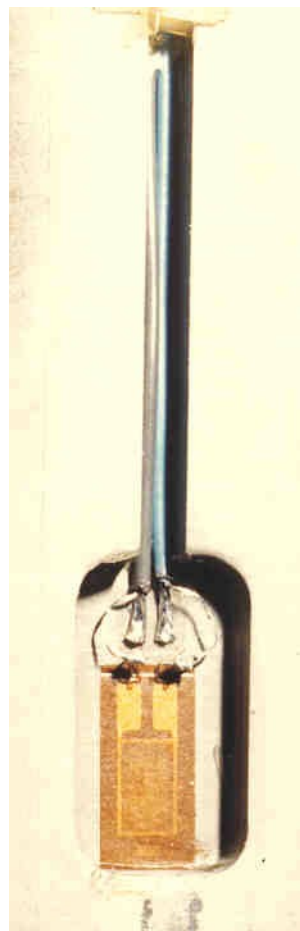
amplitude levels > linearity verified) UNIT STEP RESPONSE
(bit resolution 213 μ e)



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Penetrator Preparation



strain gage mounted
before encapsulation

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Penetrator Preparation



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Penetrator Preparation



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Test Time!!

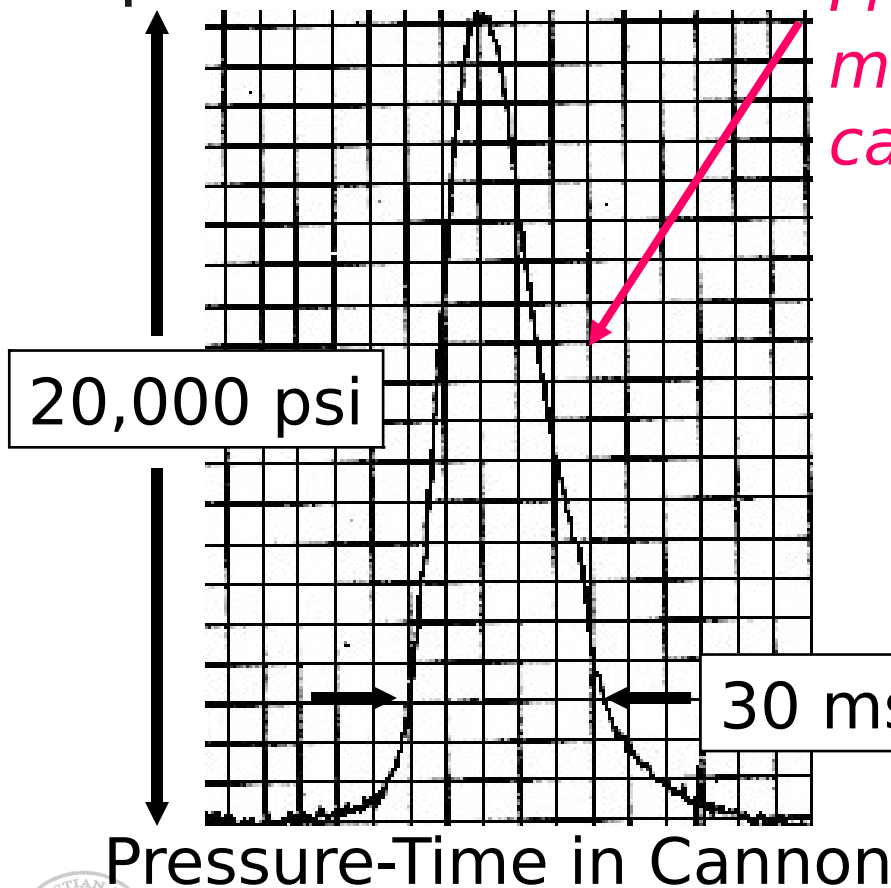


Davis Gun

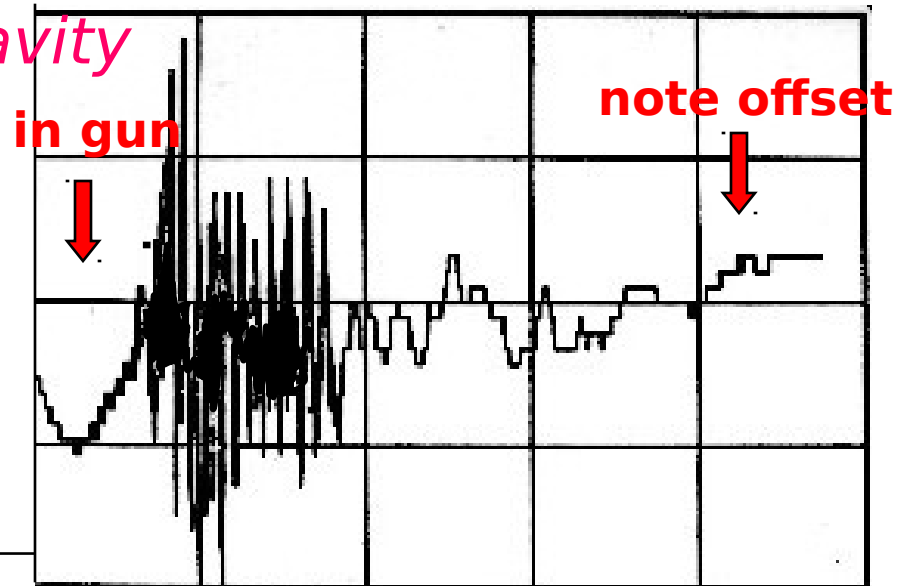
- recoilless Cannon
- 2 Deg to Vertical
- pressure data TM from barrel transducer
(Kistler 607A in grease filled cavity)
- 93' dry lake bed target penetration

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Data Analysis/Validation

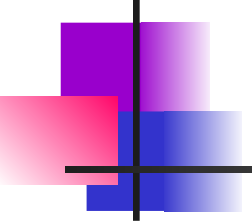


*From Kistler 607A recess
mounted in grease filled
cavity*



Data - one of the gages
vert +/- 4,000 $\mu\epsilon$ horiz 0-
150 msec

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Data Analysis/Validation (con't)

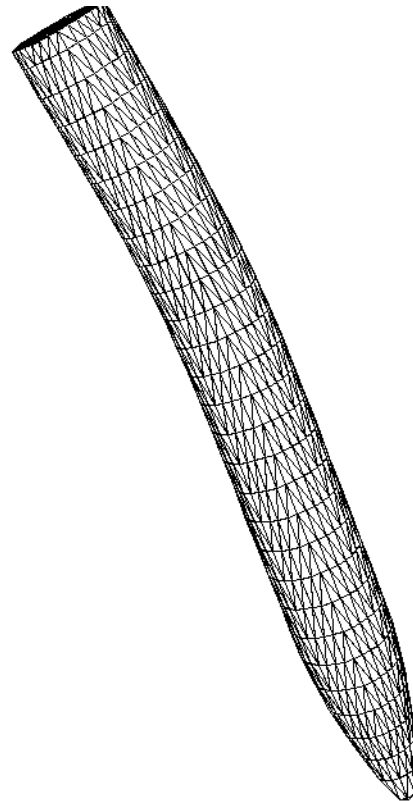
Calculation Consideration:

- from peak pressure in gun:
 - ◆ sabot area, yields peak force
- total mass penetrator
 - ◆ yields total peak acceleration
- penetrator characteristics:
 - ◆ cross section area
 - ◆ modulus of elasticity
 - ◆ mass in front of strain gage
 - ◆ enables calculation of $2,040_{\mu\epsilon}$ VS
 $2,000 - 2,213_{\mu\epsilon}$ (within bit resolution)

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Data Analysis/Validation (con't)

Data offset explanation:



Miners report that
penetrator springs
back when freed

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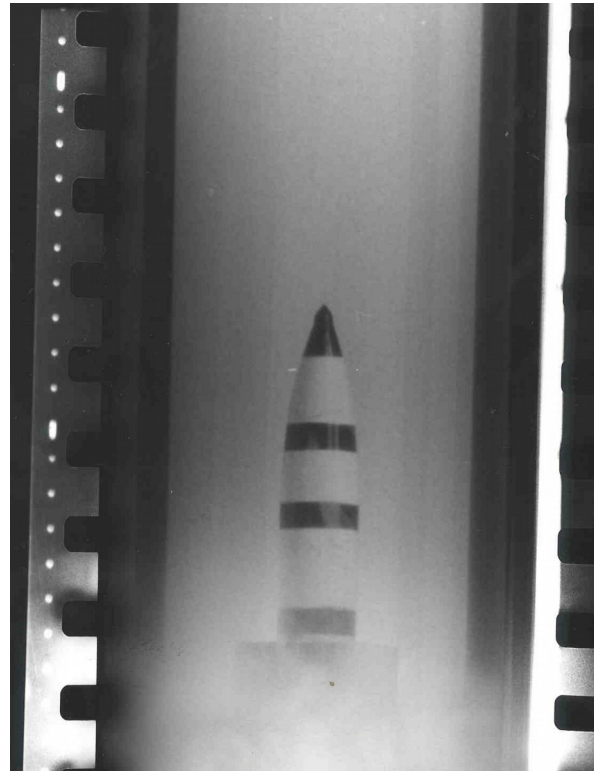
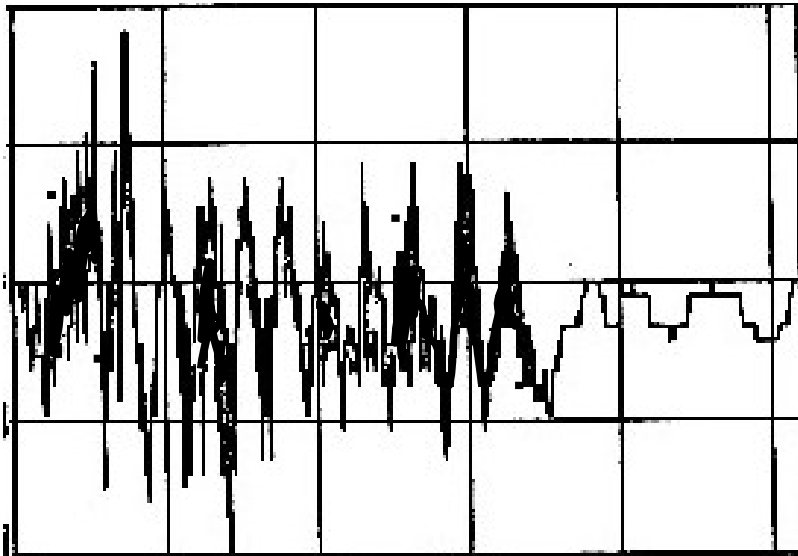


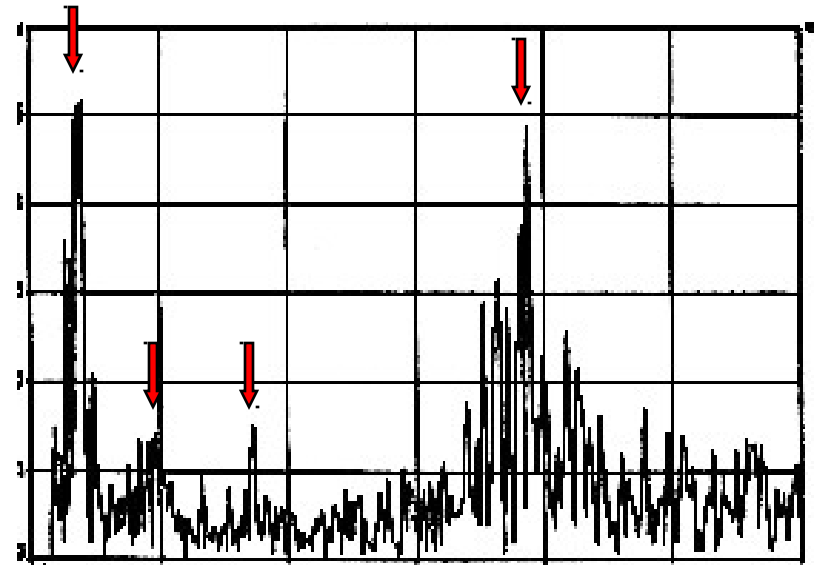
image motion also helps in diagnostics

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Data Analysis/Validation (con't)



Data Time Expanded - one of the gag
vert +/- 4,000 $\mu\epsilon$ horiz 0-73 msec



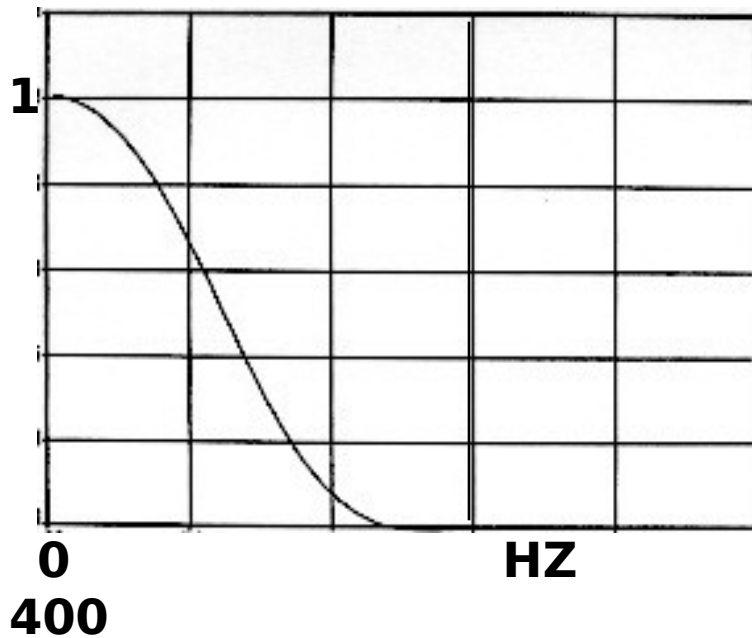
Fourier transform of same
horiz 0-6,000 Hz
peaks at ~ 392, 976, 1712,
& 3845 Hz

Validates modal test boundary conditions

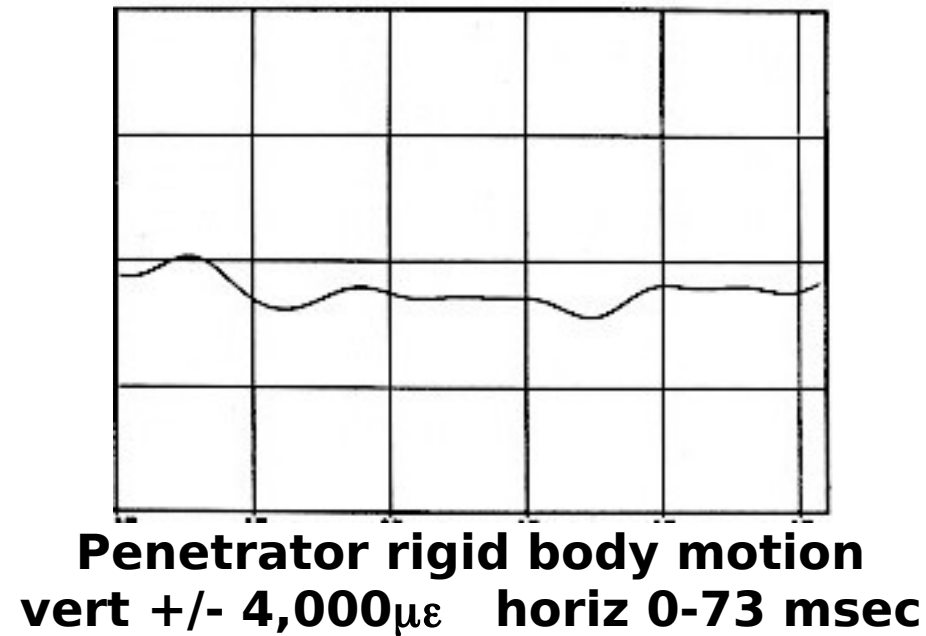
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Low pass filter preceding



Calculate constant deceleration (assumption) required on penetrator to stop in 93'. Combine with E, cross section area & mass in front of



age to
on of above strain

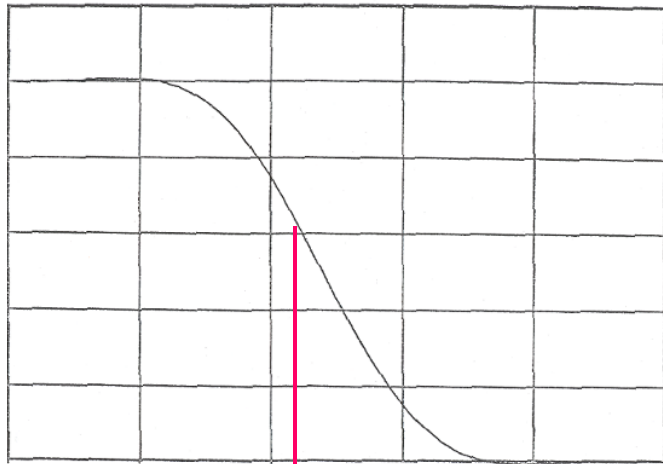
calculate -300 $\mu\epsilon$. Note: within bit
levels

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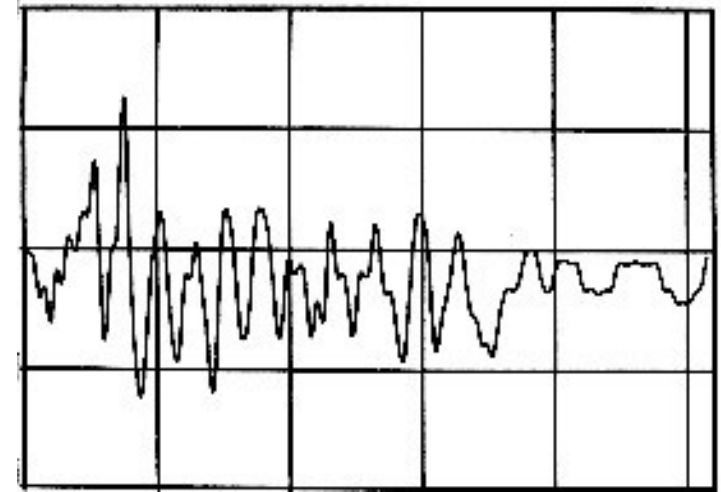
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0 HZ 2,500
Low pass filter preceding data
(1,100 Hz - 3dB point)

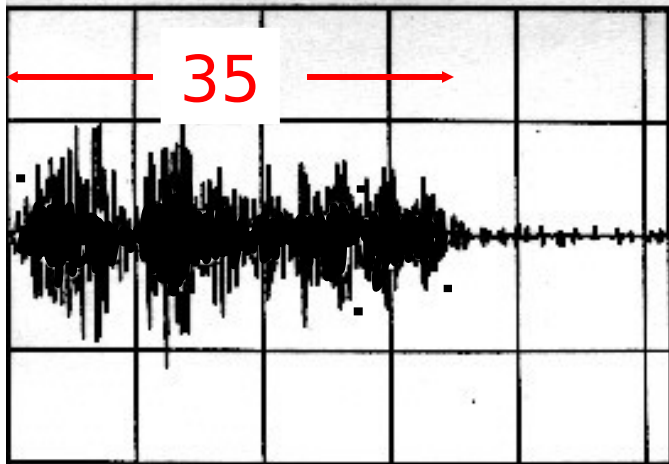


Penetrator bending motion
vert +/- 4,000 $\mu\epsilon$ horiz 0-73 msec

Zero phase shift filter enables waveform subtraction
(see next)

Data Analysis/Validation (con't)

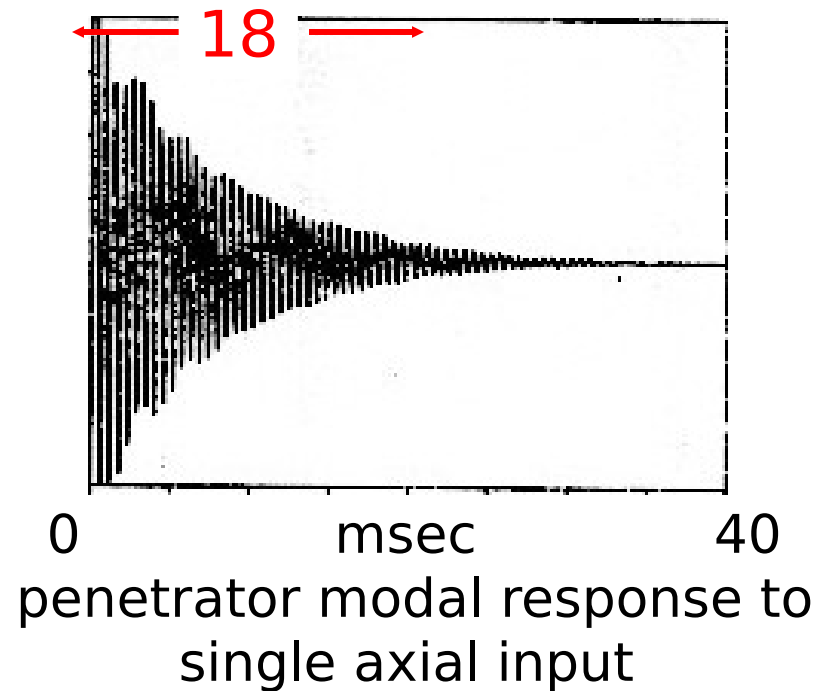
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penetrator high frequency
Axial motion

(subtracted from original data)

vert +/- 4,000 $\mu\epsilon$ horiz 0-73

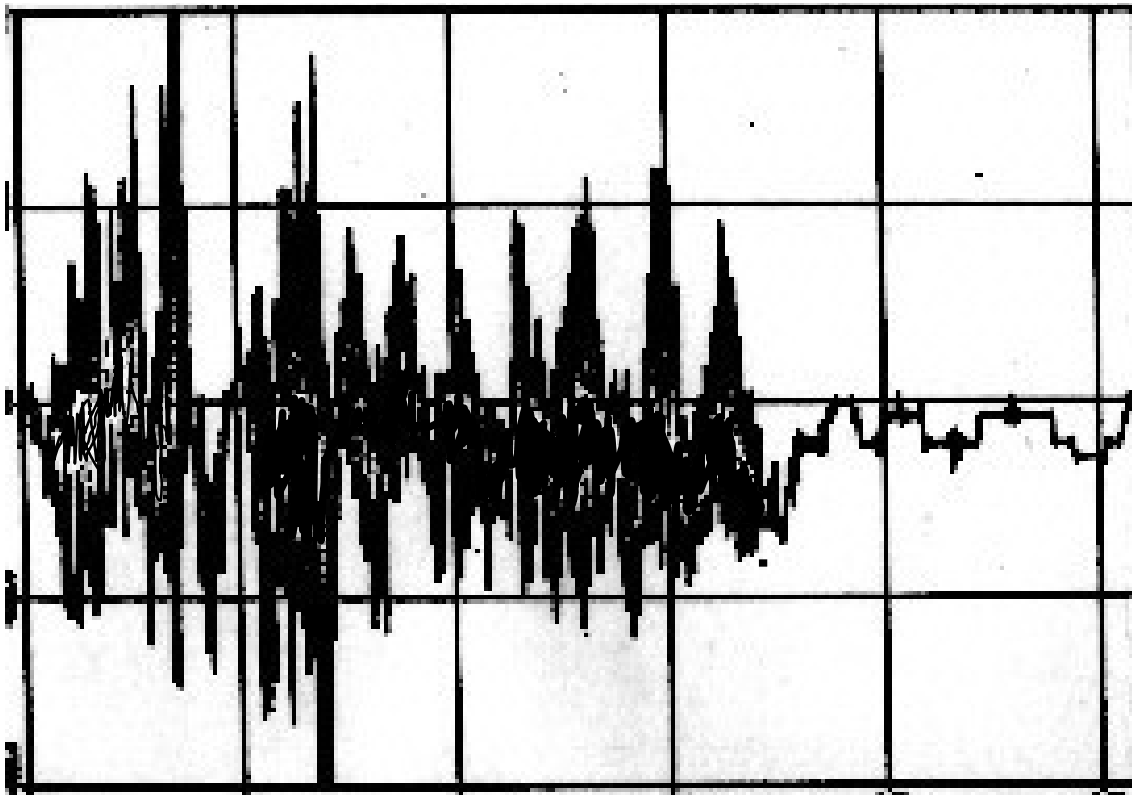


penetrator modal response to
single axial input

Conclusion: High frequency axial loading is occurring
ver

many body lengths of penetration. E

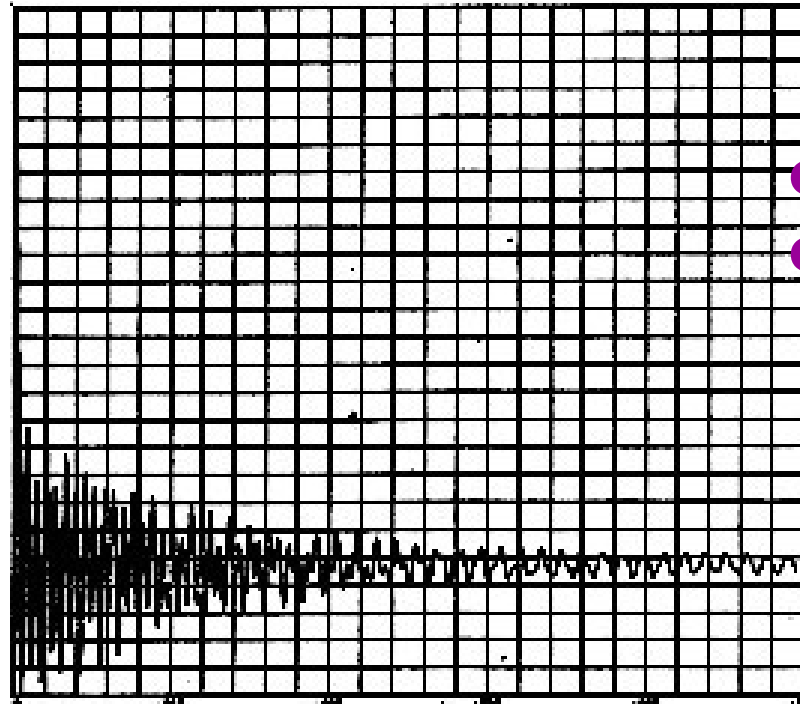
Data Analysis



- increased high frequency
- increased amplitude

Deconvolved Strain Response (unit step used)
vertical $\pm 6,000 \mu\epsilon$ horiz 0-73 msec

Data Analysis/Pretest Predictions



- note significant difference
- large bending and axial strains that occurred during test differed greatly from analytical predictions!

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Analytically predicted test results
vertical $\pm 400\mu\epsilon$ horiz 0 - 50 msec



Conclusions

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- Pretest, experimental modal analysis results agreed with analytical structural model.
- Strain gages were verified to be properly mounted.
- Data recording system was dynamically characterized and verified to be linear.
- Independent post-test calculations based on pressure-time in gun and depth of penetration correlated with measured strain data.
- The analytical loads applied to the penetrator in the modeling process were incorrect. Improved analytical results are required on more representative models for the soil and soil/penetrator interaction.
- Significant differences were observed to occur between predicted penetrator responses in the field test.



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